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**ATTACHMENT TO ADVISORY ACTION**

***Response to Amendment***

1. The amendment filed 22 October 2009 will not be entered because it raises new issues requiring further consideration and search, given that the Applicant has narrowed the scope of the claims by requiring that the projection portion is distinct from the outer layer. Additionally, the amendment raises new issues that would require further consideration under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph for the projecting portion extending radially beyond the outermost radial dimension of an outer most surface of the substrate layer and an outer most surface of a laminated outer layer formed on the outer most surface of the substrate layer.
2. It is noted that if the amendment were entered, it would overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph rejections of record.

***Conclusion***

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JAMES YAGER whose telephone number is (571)270-3880. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Fri, 7:30am-5pm, EST.

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